

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce Mr. J. W. Bowers as a candidate for Alderman in the fourth ward.

We are authorized to announce NORMAN PATRICK as a candidate for reelection to the office of Marshal.

We are authorized to announce JOHN W. HAWORTH as a candidate for City Marshal, subject to the action of the anti-licensing caucus.

We are authorized to announce the name of (CARTER) BENJAMIN MCGONAGAY as a candidate for Alderman in the fourth ward, subject to the action of the anti-licensing ward nominating caucus.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

TRAVEL over the Midland Railway is gradually increasing, as is also its freight traffic.

The usual weekly prayer meeting at Stapp's Chapel will be held in the lecture room to-night.

We learn that there is considerable sickness at Maroa and in the region round about that burg. Chills and fever seem to be most prevalent, though there are some cases of lung complaint.

We hear that whooping-cough is somewhat troublesome among children of the city.

The common law and chancery dockets in the circuit court took a big slide yesterday, as will be seen from our court record. Several cases were dismissed, thus finally disposing of them, and a large number were continued. It begins to look like the beginning of the end.

The new bakery of Samuel McRoberts opened up this morning with a very nice lot of bread and cakes, which went off as current as gold. Bread will be baked at this establishment every morning, and may be had at the store in any quantities. Mr. McRoberts will have a wagon on the road as soon as the traveling will permit. Look out for nice hot rolls to-morrow morning.

BROTHER JAKE

Mr. Priest informs us that he has just received a letter from Col. Rowell and Mr. Hoofstetter, who are now at Dehuri, Clinton county, Iowa, saying that they will be here on February 20th, to remain one week. The campaign is to be kept hot during the week preceding the election.

NO HEBBAGE!

When we advertise we do just as we say we will. In our advertisement for the next 20 days only, to make room for our large stock of spring goods, which we are manufacturing at our Chicago headquarters.

KAUFMAN & BACHMACH.

STOCK BURGLARIZED AT BEMENT. Last night, at Bement, as those who had been in attendance at a dancing party were going home, as they passed the store of Stadler & Co. they noticed that the lights in his store were all out; whereas he had left them burning. They entered the store, and as they did so a couple of fellows lit out through a back window where they had taken out a light of glass to effect an entrance. Upon looking about they saw that some one had been trying to open the money-drawer. The timely arrival of the proprietor and his friends probably presented a big steal.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The following card appeared in this morning's edition of the Muzzeyite organ: *Ed. Suez*—I hereby notify Hamsher & Manner to discontinue sending the weekly REPUBLICAN to me. The reason assigned is the underhanded course said publishers have taken to defeat the regular temperance nominee for alderman in the second ward. C. A. MASTERTON.

If Mr. C. A. Masterton will be kind enough to call and pay what he owes for the REPUBLICAN his request will be cheerfully complied with. The amount of his indebtedness is just \$1.85, the color of his money foot having been seen in this office for nearly two years. Next!

PERSONAL.

Prof. Leonard went to Bement last night to "cut off" for a ball in that place, which was under the management of Bohman and Camp.

Mr. J. G. Shea, who was nominated by the temperance caucus last night for alderman in the first ward, is one of the prominent business men of the ward, and is elected will no doubt be a careful and judicious city official.

We are happy to notice Rev. Mr. McBarney on the street to-day, after having been confined to his house by illness for several days.

Supervisor Dempsey has gone to Ottumwa, Iowa, to visit his aged mother. He is accompanied by his little daughter.

Among the callers at the REPUBLICAN office to-day was Rev. Dr. Buck, who brought his hearty laugh and jocular story with him; also W. F. Montgomery, of Hickory, and A. M. Corn, of Cico.

There is quite a delegation of Niantic people in town to-day, several of them being called here as witnesses in a case on trial in court, the parties in which are residents of that place. Among others we noticed Justice Pritchett and Mr. John Hennrich.

The callers at our office to-day have been unusually numerous. At one time a regular mass-meeting was in progress, the speakers being M. P. Murphy, Alderman Bramble and H. B. Durfee. It was lively for a little while, and Murphy went away perfectly satisfied with the position of Mr. Durfee on the temperance question.

Fred Norman has returned from Florida, and is not in very great ecstasies over the country. He says the weather is delightful but the country is the poorest he ever saw. He left Ezra August in Florida, not much improved in health.

Rev. T. D. Weems, of Philo, is in town.

THE TEMPERANCE CAUCUS IN THE FIRST WARD.

J. G. Shea the Nominee.

The first ward caucus was very fully attended last night at the reform club room.

Mr. Thomas Hays was called to the chair, and Mr. A. Montgomery was chosen secretary.

After some general discussion it was voted that the person receiving the majority of votes cast should be the nominee of the caucus.

A ballot was then taken, resulting in 13 for Wayne, 21 for D. S. Shellabarger, and 31 for J. G. Shea.

A second ballot resulted in the choice of Mr. Shea by a vote of 37 for him to 30 for Mr. Shellabarger.

The following named gentlemen were then appointed as a working committee to look after the interests of the election:

Robert Gibbons, John Giblin, Bowman Hamilton, Thomas Hays, B. Shepherd, J. G. Shea, A. Conklin, J. Q. A. Odoz, Theo. Nelson, J. E. Montgomery, Cummings, O. S. Millington, B. F. Ward, T. P. Vest, C. McMillan, George Stoy, J. Shirver and J. B. Holliday.

The meeting was harmonious and enthusiastic, and all pledged themselves to work for the success of the ticket.

AND A FEW MORE.

Neither bad roads nor hard times, nor both together, are enough to keep the people from subscribing for the REPUBLICAN. Since our last list was published we have received the following renewals and new subscribers:

Alex. Brett, Humboldt, Kan. Charles Conigan, Niantic. W. J. Magee, Whitmore. Rev. L. Field, Decatur. C. W. Cannon, Long Creek. Dan Peters, Macon. G. A. Temple, Sterling, Kan. J. N. Odoz, Wheatland. W. S. Odoz, Wheatland. Dr. Wm. Dillon, Payson, Ill. A. Dennis, Decatur. John Beckman, Ceno Gordo. Mrs. Anna King, Des Moines, Iowa. Mrs. Eva McCullough, Madison, Ind. D. W. Garver, Whitmore. A. J. Trimmer, Hickory. J. L. Stuart, Whitmore. O. N. Maddie, Friends Creek. Frederick Kline, Whitmore. R. Scott, Bethany. Jacob A. Seiter, Summit, Ill. I. N. Allen, Harristown. W. H. Hopkins, Blue Mound. S. H. Montgomery, Hickory. James Burley, Oakley. Eli Uery, Mt. Zion. Miss Donna Uery, Gaffney, Ill. W. A. Kanner, Friends Creek. John S. Kirk, Old Berlin, Ill. S. A. Haines, Wheatland. W. E. Kyler, Milan. W. C. Mayers, Mt. Zion. J. W. Ayers, Whitmore. Joel Morrison, Decatur. Charles Cliff, Mt. Zion. Wm. Giffon, Friends Creek.

For the Republican.

THAT COMMUNICATION.

MR. B. K. HAMSHIRE. In order to relieve you of the charge of having written an article published in your issue of Monday, in relation to the meeting by which Mr. Muzzey was chosen as the temperance candidate for alderman of the second ward, I hereby announce that I am the author of the article, and that you, nor any one else connected with the REPUBLICAN, had anything to do in its production.

I attended the meeting, but did not vote to make the voice of the meeting unanimous. For this and other reasons I felt myself at liberty to dissent from the vote of that meeting.

I thought I knew enough about political meetings to detect a "packed convention." I had not been in the hall a minute until I formed an opinion as to how the meeting had been gotten up and was to be handled. Such things can often be detected instantaneously, just as the experienced physician detects the nature of a disease the moment his eye takes in the physiognomy and position of the sufferer.

When the meeting was called to order I took a seat by the side of Mr. Hardy. When the first motion to close the polls was made, I asked him how it was going. He replied: "It's going to be very close." To which I remarked: "It will be no race at all, for it is the worst packed convention I ever saw." This was my honest opinion, wholly formed after I entered the hall, and I have had no reasons to doubt the correctness of it since the adjournment of the meeting.

As for Mr. Muzzey, I have no ill feeling towards him; and he has none towards me, so far as I know. As a temperance man, I cannot, on general principles, consider him as safe as some others that could be named. But the temperance question should not attract our entire attention.

When I started to the meeting in question, it was with the expectation of hearing a public expression with reference to some other matters besides securing a temperance board of aldermen. I considered that the situation justified a little thought, at least, in other directions. And I must say, that when I saw the thing so hastily put through, without one solitary reference to anything else but temperance, I felt disgusted.

A good many people in Decatur know how I stand upon some other questions. It is well known to them that as early as 1875—after the failure of our wheat and flax seed crops—I commenced advocating retrenchment and reform in the management of our county and municipal affairs. Our financial embarrassments have continually increased since that time, but yet no move, to amount to anything, has been made towards curtailing public expenses. To my mind any public officer who could pass through the last three years without making an effort to lessen the burdens of the people, is wholly unfit for office, and ought not to be further trusted. I do not know who all this assertion will hit, nor do I care.

B. A. ALLISON.
Decatur, Ill., Feb. 6, 1878.

JANES CHAPPEL.—Services this evening at 7 o'clock. Preaching by Rev. D. E. May.

PUBLIC SALES.

Hereafter, when sale bills are printed at this office, we will make brief mention in the Republican of the sales so advertised.

Tuesday, Feb. 12th, A. Bowers & Son, two miles southeast of Harristown, will sell horses, mules, cows, 10 Berkshire sows, 65 stock hogs, farming implements and household furniture.

Wednesday, Feb. 13th, Nelson Smith, 2 1/2 miles east of Decatur, will sell 6 horses, 20 hogs, farm implements, corn in crib, household furniture, etc.

On same day, J. W. Wynn will sell at the residence of W. C. Smith, five miles southwest of Decatur, 10 spars of extra large mules, most of them 3 and 4 years old and well broke. A credit of 12 months will be given.

Thursday, Feb. 14th, James Stine, 2 1/2 miles northeast of Forryth, will sell one span of work horses, one span of large mules, one milch cow, brood sows and stock hogs, corn sheller, spring wagon, farm implements and household furniture. A credit of 12 months.

Tuesday, Feb. 19th, James Freeman will sell at his country residence, 3 1/2 miles northeast of Moawequa, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, farming implements and household goods. A credit of 8 months.

Thursday, March 7th, George Wroe, administrator, will sell at the late residence of Sheldon Parks, deceased, 3 miles south of Niantic, 6 horses, 72 head of cattle, 1 Durham bull, 100 sheep, 72 head of hogs, 1500 bushels of corn, 800 bushels of oats, 25 tons of hay, 3 farm wagons, farming utensils and household goods. A credit of 12 months on approved note.

MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

TUESDAY, FEB. 5.

Court convened at 12 o'clock and attended to cases as follows:

The case of Chas. H. Kepley vs. Elias Oliver was finished. Verdict, issues for plaintiff.

Andrew Hawkyard vs. Harvey May et al. Continued.

Wm. Trevelock vs. Thomas O. Smith et al. trespass. Same order.

John Longstreet vs. same. Same order.

John G. McDeed vs. Clarinda McDeed et al. ejectment. Same order.

Joe Winebrenner for the use of Midam Winebrenner vs. Henry W. Waggoner; debt. Case dismissed on account of the non appearance of plaintiff.

David L. May vs. Gerhard Mueller; trespass. Continued.

James P. Law vs. David Blalock and Henry Traubner; Continued.

David P. Elwood vs. Paris & Decatur Railroad Co.; assumpsit. Dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Anthony Stoutenborough vs. Illinois Midland Railway Co. Continued for service.

Henry G. Brown vs. Same; same order.

Anthony N. Dills vs. Same; same order.

David L. Foster vs. Paris & Decatur Railway Co. Same order.

Alexander W. Bell vs. Same; same order.

Henry C. Phillips vs. John Coon, appellant. Dismissed as per agreement on file.

Gilbert Howell vs. Decatur Gaslight & Coke Co.; case. Dismissed as per agreement on file.

Chalhoun Jones vs. Duncan A. Biggs. Default.

Pitts & Kurtz vs. Western Union Telegraph Co.; assumpsit. Continued.

Joseph S. McCartney vs. James Murray et al; assumpsit. Dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Charles Van Horn vs. John B. Tomlinson et al; debt. Continued.

Robert P. Boggs vs. Illinois Midland Railway Co.; assumpsit. Same order.

Lorenzo Crocker vs. R. J. Roberts. Dismissed at defendant's cost.

Aaron G. Bachman vs. Illinois Midland Railway Co. Continued.

Mitchell, Lewis & Co. vs. A. A. Murray; assumpsit. Dismissed at defendant's cost.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Annie Miller vs. Corlee Bowman et al; chancery. Dismissed by complainant.

Reed Spencer vs. Emma Veach et al; foreclosure. Referred to Master.

Hugh Mooney, executor, vs. Mary Tucker; chancery. Report of sale approved.

Robert S. McCormick et al; ex parte; chancery. Continued.

Angeline Atchison vs. Thomas J. Atchison; divorce. Dismissed by complainant.

Thomas Suttons vs. Andrew J. Wallace; injunction. Continued.

Joseph B. Smith et al vs. David Beckman et al. Same order.

Nancy M. McGuire vs. John C. McGuire; divorce. Same order.

George D. McClure vs. Hiram K. Brook; injunction. Dismissed as per agreement on file.

Adjourned to 8 1/2 o'clock Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 8.

Court convened at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Mary G. Goodrich vs. Margaret Gahler; trespass on the case. Dismissed by plaintiff.

Ella A. Campbell vs. John McKinley and Ann Higgins; assumpsit. Trial by jury. I. A. Buckingham for plaintiff and Thomas Lee for defendants.

Pending this case court adjourned to one o'clock.

Wanted.—A few day boarders; also a room to rent, furnished or not; two blocks south of square. Inquire at this office. Feb. 6—46

What is home without a baby? Many children have coughs and colds just now, and should have the greatest care, and a bottle of Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup.—Price 25 cents a bottle. Sold by all drug prices. [Feb 5-dwlv]

Take a look for yourself, for an inspection of the quality, style and prices of our boots and shoes will convince any reasonable person that it will be economy to buy of BARNER & BAKER. (Jan16-dwlv)

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

(NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS: All subject matter for this column should be addressed to L. E. Brown or Miss M. F. Fulton, Decatur; or J. Trainer, Blue Mound, Ill.)

SIX SCHOOLMASTERS.

The schoolmaster holds no unimportant part in literature. Not a few of the masters of language have introduced the schoolmaster in their writings. None of these characters can be held up as models, but all have defects and excellences which may well be studied.

Goldsmith's schoolmaster is stern in school and strikes awe into the villagers by his immense display of learning, and by his "words of learned length and thundering sound." He is not such as we should now consider a perfect teacher, but is a good sample of those who wielded the rod of school authority before the days of Froebel and Pestalozzi.

The English village teacher, as represented in Dickens' "Old Curiosity Shop," is an odd man, who bears with meek patience the disorder of the boys and the fault-finding of half the village. At the time of his introduction to the reader he is mourning with sad tenderness the sickness and death of his favorite pupil, little Harry. Though poor he is benevolent, and, himself sad, he is ever ready to comfort other sorrowing ones.

Washington Irving gives us a specimen of the district pedagogue of New Netherlands; Ichabod Crane, a native of Connecticut, who by cane and birch, urges the young Dutchmen of Sleepy Hollow along the paths of knowledge, disposing of his blows according to justice, by giving few to the weak, and compensating by a double allowance to the tough ones.

His stories were popular at the firesides where he "boarded round," he led the village choir, and, next to the minister, was the greatest man in the neighborhood. "Birds of the district school and rule," as described by Whittier, is a poor young New Englander, who, with remarkable "grit and gumption" is paying his way through college by teaching during vacations in "the lowland districts." He has all the fire and buoyancy of youth, but governs his school with foresight and with that other great help to practical teaching, the rod.

In company with this youth must be noticed the "Hoosier Schoolmaster." He engages to teach a school in the backwoods of Indiana, and finds that he has his hands full. At his first boarding-place he learns his lesson from the directors' dog: "When Bull takes hold, heaven and yearh couldn't make him let go again." Acting on this principle he works successfully and, entirely vanquishes at their own tricks the boys who try to run the school.

Our last example is another of Eggleston's creations, the Irish master, who figured so conspicuously in the district schools of the Northwest in early days. He is sociable and jolly, and understands all the rules of syntax, yet nevertheless, violates them in every sentence he utters; and the high at spelling school he can pass correctly from one end to the other of Webster's speller, he yet mis spells every third word that he writes. But despite all his rudeness, this schoolmaster is a man of influence in the district, and his influence is to no small extent a civilizing one.

Looking over these examples we find the schoolmaster uniformly represented as a man of importance in the community. Goldsmith's master is stern, but kind-hearted.

Dickens' village teacher is patient, benevolent and loving.

Irving's pedagogue with all his faults is just.

Eggleston's Irish master is sociable and kind.

Whittier's teacher is careful, independent and obliging, and the Hoosier Schoolmaster is shrewd and persevering.

Froebel, Pestalozzi and Arnold are flesh and blood embodiments of all these desirable qualities.

E. E. B.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post-office, at Decatur, Macon co., Illinois, Feb. 6, 1878

Ames Mateson Morrison L. W. Coughlin J. P. Melvin Mattie Cook Mrs. A. J. Milten Maggie Cobb Albert R. McCormick Wm Clark F. P. Phelps Frank (2) Connelly Mrs. Mary Pebbles W. E. Cassins Mrs. Millie Lovie Russell Clark Patrick Robinson Mrs. W. Dunley Beryan Rumsby S. J. D. Dawson Nancy Shanks Mrs. Eliza Jane Fulton Addison Shook Miss Mary A. German Miss Bella Skelly Miss Nancy Grove Miss Emma Smith Mrs. Sarah Howell Elvira Tehill Wu Higgins Lottie Vergin Miss Anna Kinser George Klatt Miss Kate Lyman Mrs. C. L. Lewis B. P. Loe Mrs. Minnie Leeper Mrs. Margaret Morrill Miss Jennie R. P. LYMLE, Postmaster.

A CARD.

EDITED REPUBLICAN:—I wish to say to my neighbors of the second ward that having received the written request of some 100 or more of the sober, industrious voters of the old second to become a candidate for alderman at the ensuing city election, and feeling that such request is a very handsome nomination, I desire to thank you for your kindly confidence in the past, and promising you not to go back on my record on the one great question now agitating the public mind and has asplated mine from a youth up, I accept the nomination at your hands, and with your help may be your representative in the next council.

Feb. 4 dlv H. B. DUREE.

Query:—Why will men smoke common tobacco, when they can buy Marburg Bros. "Seal of North Carolina" at the same price? [Jan178-dlv]

A Few Fine Cloaks still on hand, that will be closed at a great bargain. Jan. 22—dvl Linn & Scruggs.

The Best White Shirts in the city at one dollar, at Linn & Scruggs. Jan. 23—dvl

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AFFORDED BY

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IT is a fact that can be substantiated by the most respectable testimonials ever offered in favor of any proprietary medicine, that the Radical Cure for Catarrh does in every case afford instant and permanent relief. No matter of how long standing, or how severe the disease, the first dose gives such evidence of its value in the treatment of Catarrh, affecting the bladder, that the patient is able to do all that is claimed for it. The testimony of physicians, druggists, and patients is unanimous in this point, and the scientific evidence is in point of respectability superior to any ever before obtained in the cure of a popular remedy. The proprietors, therefore, may justly feel proud of the position their remedy has attained, and believe it worthy of its reputation.

10 YEARS A SUFFERER.

From Hon. Theo. P. Bogert, Bristol, R. I.

MRS. WELLS & POTTER: Gentlemen.—Feeling thoroughly convinced of the efficacy of Sanford's Radical Cure for Catarrh, I am induced to write you a line to say that although I have been afflicted with the catarrh of the bladder for more than ten years, and not until recently could I induce to persevere with any one remedy, I have at last obtained the cure of my disease. I have used your Radical Cure, and can truthfully say that after using five or six bottles I am thoroughly cured of the disease, and I am now well. Hoping that others similarly afflicted, like myself, will be induced to make the trial, I am, very truly, etc. THEO. P. BOGERT. Bristol, R. I., July 24, 1877.

CATARRHAL AFFECTIONS,

Such as Sore, Weak, Inflamed, Red, and Watery Eyes; Ulceration and Inflammation of the Ear; Hanging Spleen in the Head; Sore Throat; Plagitation of the Uvula and Swollen Tonsils; Various Headache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Clouded Memory, Loss of Nervous Force, Depression of Spirits, and all other affections scientifically treated with this remedy according to directions which accompany each bottle, or will be mailed to any address on receipt of stamp.

Each package contains Dr. Sanford's Improved Radical Cure, with full directions for use in all cases. Price \$1.00. Sold by all Wholesale and Retail Druggists throughout the United States and Canada. Call Druggists, WELLS & POTTER, General Agents and Wholesale Druggists, Boston, Mass.

COLLINS' VOLTAIC PLASTER

Affords the most grateful relief in Rheumatism, Weak Spine, Local Pains, Nervous Affections, Local Rheumatism, The Douloureux, Nervous Pain, Affections of the Chest, Colds and Coughs, Injuries of the Back, Strains and Bruises, Weak Back, Nervous Pain of the Bowels, Cramps in the Stomach and Bowels, Heart Affections, Rheumatism of the Wrists and Joints, Arteries, Gout, Local and Deep-seated Pains, Pain in the Chest, Stitch in the Back, Pain in the Hip, Varicose or Enlarged Veins, Crick in the Back and Neck, Pain and Weakness in Side and Back, Homelessness, Sore Throat, Lumbago, Whooping Cough, Sharp Pains in the Breast, Heart Disease, Quinsy, Diabetes, and for Lameness in any part of the body.

Price, 25 CENTS. Ask for COLLINS' VOLTAIC PLASTER.

Sold by all Wholesale and Retail Druggists throughout the United States and Canada, and by WELLS & POTTER, Proprietors, Boston, Mass.

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We have just completed very extensive improvements in our mill, that enable us to make the best flour ever offered to the citizens of Decatur. Our Best white wheat for \$3.00 per 100 lbs. XXXX Flour, 2.75

We warrant every sack.

For the convenience of our customers we have opened a flour and feed store, at the old stand formerly occupied by Newell & Hammer, where all orders left for flour or feed will be promptly attended to and delivered in any part of the city. We respectfully ask your patronage.

D. S. SHELLABARGER & Co.

Why pay 25 to 50 cents per hundred lbs. more to other parties selling flour in the city for an inferior quality? [Feb16-dlv]

Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup takes the lead of all medicines for coughs, colds, asthma, sore throat and pulmonary complaints generally. Call on your druggist and try a bottle of it. Price only 25 cents. Sold by all druggists. Feb. 5 d&wlv

Imitations are Frauds. Buy the Her some Gaiters, only of Jan16-dwlv BARBER & BAKER

MARRIED.

In this city, on Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1878, by T. B. Albert, Esq., at his office, Mr. William Devereux and Miss Rebecca Ross, both of Wheatland.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cobb, in Whitmore township, by Rev. J. W. Ballinger, Mr. John W. Aron, of Niantic, and Miss Mary J. Cobb.

A party of about seventy-five from Decatur and Niantic, and neighbors in the vicinity of the bride's home, were present. Immediately after the ceremony a most bountiful supper was partaken of by all present. The bride received quite a number of beautiful and useful presents. The occasion will long be remembered by all present as one of the most pleasant of their lives.

The newly married couple came to Decatur this morning and left on the noon train for Niantic, where a grand reception awaits them and their many friends at the residence of the groom's father, Mr. Thomas Aron.

FOR SALE.

18 ACRES OF LAND, SITUATED in section 12, township 16 north, 3 range 1 east of the third principal meridian, will be sold cheap, and part in trade, within the next twenty days.

For further particulars inquire of BENJ. F. MILLER, on the premises, or of JAMES M. STOEKEY, No. 17 East Main street, Decatur, Ill. Jan. 22—dvl

Assignee's Notice.

